Agenda of the World Blind Union General Assembly

Please note: times are subject to change. Candidates may declare their intention to run for a position near the start of the Assembly, so it is not possible to predict exactly when elections will take place nor how many elections will be required.

Tuesday, September 2

12:00 - 12:30 WBU Pre-Session

Chair: Martine Abel-Williamson, President, WBU

A short procedural session will be convened during the World Blindness Summit to address urgent matters required before the opening of the General Assembly. The purpose of this session is to receive the report of the Nominations Committee and to formally establish the close of nominations for Table Officer positions. No other substantive business of the General Assembly will be conducted at this time.

- Report of the Nominations Committee Bárbara Martín Muñoz, Chair
- Formal declaration of the close of nominations
- Any urgent procedural business as required

Thursday, September 4

9:00 – 10:30 WBU Session 1

First Business session

Chair: Martine Abel-Williamson, President, WBU

- Call to Order
- Acceptance of changes to agenda
- Acceptance of Report from 2021 General Assembly
- Appointment of Assembly Committees: Credentials, Resolutions, Elections
- Obituaries presented by Diana Stentoft, Secretary General
- Credentials Committee Report by Diana Stentoft, Chair, Credentials Committee
- Report of the Nominations Committee by Bárbara Martín Muñoz, Chair, Nominations Committee

Candidate presentations for position of President

10:30 – 11:00 Tea Break

Voting for the position of President is expected to take place from 10:30 to 11:30

11:00 – 12:30 WBU Session 2

Report of work 2021 - 2025

Chair: Fernando Riaño, First Vice President

- President's Report and Report on Strategic Plan 2021–2025 by Martine Abel-Williamson, President, WBU
- WBU CEO report by Marc Workman, CEO, WBU
- Financial Accounts by Diane Bergeron, Treasurer, WBU
- WBU Membership by Diana Stentoft, Secretary General, WBU
- · Questions from the floor
- Announcement of election of President and brief remarks by incoming President
- Candidate presentations for position of First Vice President

12:30 – 14:30 Lunch break

 Voting for the position of First Vice President is expected to take place from 12:30 to 13:30

14:30 – 16:00 WBU Session 3

Regional Reports

Chair: Fernando Riaño, First Vice President

- Regional Reports by Regional Presidents
 - ABU by Santosh Kumar Rungta
 - o AFUB by Mohammed Ez-zaoui
 - WBU-AP by Li Qing Zhong (Peter)
 - o EBU by Tytti Matsinen
 - ULAC by Gladys Díaz
 - NA-C by Mark Riccobono

- Announcement of election of First Vice President and brief remarks by incoming First Vice President
- Candidate presentations for position of Second Vice President

16:00 – 16:30 Tea Break

 Voting for the position of Second Vice President is expected to take place from 16:00 to 17:00

16:30 – 19:00 WBU Session 4

WBU Regional meetings

ABU, Location: * TBD

• AFUB, Location: * TBD

WBU-AP, Location: * TBD

• EBU, Location: * TBD

• ULAC, Location: * TBD

NA-C, Location: * TBD

International members, Location: * TBD

Friday, September 5

9:00 – 10:30 WBU Session 5

Resolutions

Chair: Diane Bergeron

- Resolutions by Diane Bergeron, Chair, Resolutions Committee
- Announcement of election of Second Vice President and brief remarks by incoming Second Vice President
- Candidate presentations for position of Treasurer

10:30 – 11:00 Tea Break

Voting for the position of Treasurer is expected to take place from 10:30 to 11:30

11:00 – 12:30 WBU Session 6

Constitutional Report

Chair: Mark Riccobono, President, NAC Region

- Constitutional Report by SK Rungta, Chair, Constitution Committee
- Announcement of election of Treasurer and brief remarks by incoming Treasurer
- Candidate presentations for position of Secretary General

12:30 – 14:30 Lunch break

 Voting for the position of Secretary General is expected to take place from 12:30 to 13:30

14:30 – 16:30 Closing Ceremonies and Award Presentations

Chair: Martine Abel-Williamson, President

- Announcement of election of Secretary General and brief remarks by incoming Secretary General
- Presentation of WBU Awards
 - Honorary Life Members
 - Louis Braille Medal
 - Announcement of Scholarship Award winners
- Presentation of WBU Executive Committee 2025-2029
- Presentation of incoming WBU President
- Farewell to retiring WBU Table Officers
- Farewell by outgoing WBU President
- Expressions of Appreciation
- Closing Remarks by WBU incoming President
- Close of WBU General Assembly

5:00 – 6:30 WBU Executive Committee Meeting

Location: * TBD

7:00 - 9:00 Closing reception

Organized by Local host, ONCB/CPB

End of program